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1. Peruvian labor leader and former Communist Party member Juan P. Luna is reported to be seeking appointment to the post of Minister of Labor as soon as General Armando Artola, the present Minister, returns to the army. Artola is said to be anxious to give up his present post and resume his army position.

2. Luna is trying to gain Artola's support, so that the General will recommend him to fill the post, and for this reason planned a huge banquet in Artola's honor which received considerable support and publicity. Although the banquet was cancelled at Artola's request, the Minister was flattered and was favorably impressed with Luna's efforts. Luna also arranged a gesture of friendship for Victor Casagrandi at the time the former Director of Labor departed for the United States the latter part of August. Although he was not at the airport, Luna sent a delegation of laborers to see Casagrandi off.

- 25X1X³. Luna has confided his ambition to his closest followers and has advised them of a possible cabinet shake-up. [REDACTED] it is possible that Luna might receive the labor portfolio, since Odria is appreciative of his support in the recent campaign, and feels that Luna might be able to swing labor into general support of the administration.

4. Luna is also trying to promote the publication of an official labor newspaper, which would serve as a means of permitting him to keep control over the labor groups he already dominates, as well as influencing new groups in the interior of the country. A majority of the labor representatives in Congress, [REDACTED], are in favor of such a publication and have made known their willingness to support the project.

5. To aid in launching his newspaper, Luna is attempting to obtain the collaboration of Guillermo Rouillon. Luna has been very much impressed with Rouillon's success in labor matters in the Calles area,* and foresees the advantage of using Rouillon's excellent contact with the Minister of Government, Ricardo de la Puente.

- 25X1X 6. [REDACTED] that Cesar Angel Marin is closely observing Luna's activity in connection with the proposed labor newspaper. Marin visited Luna and expressed his interest, and offered to support such a publication.

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[REDACTED] Luna would not hesitate to use Marin. He induced Marin to call
on Rouillon to sound him out on the possibility of assuming the editorship of
the proposed labor paper. Rouillon is alleged to have turned down the
proposition.

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